

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Court Room
7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740
August 23, 2009

Closed Session: None

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:42 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima

2007-2009 Tribal Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Marvin Mulholland

Absent: Councilor Rita Shananaquet

2009-2011 Tribal Council Present: Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Gerald V. Chingwa, Councilor Rita Shananaquet

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

2007-2009 Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, General Counsel James Bransky, Executive Assistant Rebecca Atkinson

2009-2011 Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara, General Counsel James Bransky, Executive Assistant Rebecca Atkinson, Casino Director of Finance Scott Cannady, Gaming Board of Directors Fred Kiogima and Gaming Board of Directors Office Manager Cathy Portman

Judiciary Officials Present: Chief Judge Joanne Gasco

Guests: Joe Mitchell, Anthony Davis, Billy McNamara, Maria Sergeant, Riley Sergeant, Julie Harrington, Virginia Lewis, Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, Ray Kiogima, Andrew Stich, Regina Gasco, Carla McFall, Ellie Payton, Harriet Booth, Marcia Sutton, Sharon Sierzputowski, Christine Shomin, Linda Gokee, Mary Keshick, Carol McFall, Millie Shomin, Denise Petoskey, Marty VandeCar, Bob Yellowbank, Diane Bott, Carol Quinones, Yvonne Fuerte, Su Lantz, Chuck Schoefield, Jody Werner, John Keshick II, Michael Smith, Annette VandeCar, Janice Shackelford, Tootsie Keshick, Eleanor Barber, Dakota Shananaquet, Kacie Gokee, Joan Robinson, Ellis Boal, Rochelle Ettawageshik, Connie Steele, Alice Hughes, Roy Smithkey, Francis Holdorph, Vernon Lasley, William R. Kiogima, Andrew Stich

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt the agenda as presented for in honor of Bob and Waunita Dominic for August 23, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to approve the minutes of August 9, 2009 with corrections.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Elders Comments: Harriet Booth thanked the current and new Tribal Council and the Tribal Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

10:03 a.m. Councilor Rita Shananaquet arrives.

2007-2009 Tribal Council closing comments.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept the Tribal Council reports from Legislative Leader Law, Secretary Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor McNamara, Councilor Shananaquet, Councilor Yellowbank, Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Harrington, Jr., and Councilor Kiogima for August 23, 2009.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

10:08 a.m. Recess called.

Oath of Office for: Tribal Council, Tribal Chairman and Vice Chairman.

12:03 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Tribal Council First Officer Election Results: Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott.

12:53 p.m. Lunch Recess called.

2:42 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

3:04 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

3:05 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to accept Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet's verbal and written report with confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve a Special Meeting Closed Session for Tribal Council members on Saturday September 12, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., in the Tribal Court Room.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Shananaquet), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

3:20 p.m. Councilor Mulholland left the meeting.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Casino Confidential Financial Report.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 – No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Mulholland)
Motion carried.

3:53 p.m. Fifteen Minute recess called.

4:13 p.m. Meeting Reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to amend the agenda for August 23, 2009 to include an Executive Closed Session for confidential business matters.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 4 – No (Councilor Bardwell, Secretary Gasco Bentley, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Gerald V. Chingwa) 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)
Motion failed.

Tribal Council Orientation.

4:43 p.m. Councilor Rita Shananaquet left the meeting.

5:00 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adjourn.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 – No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Shananaquet)
Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date